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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 20, 1979

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TO: Joe Stallsmith
Enforcement & Operations Branch

FROM: Joe Karen, Legal

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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SUBJECT: Inspection, Calumet Container
Hammond, Indiana

Joe Snyder and myself were at the Hammond Sewage Treatment Plant on Tuesday, March 13, 1979, to talk to Joe Perry concerning the bypass problem. We had arranged, on the day before, to meet Mr. Ron Novak on the 13th so that he could direct us to the location of Calumet Container at 136th Street and State Line Road. Upon arrival, Joe and I went to the office to obtain permission to walk the grounds and to take some photos and some surface water samples. Mr. Novak stayed on the Illinois side. A sample of standing water on the Illinois boundary side was taken as was a sample of a small pool of green liquid on Calumet property. Mr. Jagiella, owner, did not have any idea of the nature of the liquid.

There were other pools of brackish standing water which were open to the weather and possible runoff from the immediate site. It was anticipated that samples of all large accumulations of standing water would be taken, but because of Mr. Jagiella's protests it was decided to restrict the sampling to the two samples taken. A small quantity of our samples were given to Mr. Jagiella in two Styrofoam cups provided by Mr. Jagiella. It was noted that water was flowing from his property across the railroad tracks into Illinois. It was our understanding that Mr. Palin from Solid Waste would be going up the following day to do more sampling.

bcc: Mr. Joe Snyder
Mr. Dick Cleaton
Mr. Ron Novak —